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Magalie Roman Salas, Esquire Secretary Federal Communications Commission Room 222 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554

Dear Ms. Salas,

Enclosed is an original and four copies of a Petition for Rule Making to amend the FM table of allotments for a new FM broadcast station for Hinton, Iowa.

Sincerely,

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In the matter of:)		
Amendment of Section 73.202 (b)) ,	RM-	
Table of Allotments),	I ZIAI-	
FM Broadcast Stations),		
(Hinton, Iowa))		

PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

In this petition, Mountain West Broadcasting is hereby requesting to allot channel 267A (101.3 Mhz) to Hinton, Iowa as its first local FM allotment.

INTRODUCTION

1. This statement is a petition for rule making to allot FM channel 267A (101.3 Mhz) to Hinton and add it to the Commission's FM table of allotments, 73.202. The following will show the need for an FM channel and the effects the allotment of Channel 267A to Hinton will have.

DISCUSSION

2. Hinton is located in western lowa. It is also located within Plymouth County, a county of some 23,388 persons. Hinton has a population of 697 persons in accordance with the U.S. 1990 census.

3. The allotment of channel 267A to Hinton will provide the first local broadcast facility to the community and/or the surrounding area. The closest FM allotment to Hinton is located at Sioux City, Iowa. Sioux City is located 18 kilometers from Hinton.

It is obvious that from the above spacing that Hinton is presently without local FM service.

- 4. Hinton would greatly benefit from an FM allotment due to the fact there is no AM or FM broadcast facilities within 18 Kilometers of Hinton. Because of this, it would have an outlet for local self expression. Health and safety for the community would be increased due to having a local communications outlet for warning the Hinton area of emergency conditions caused by severe weather or other health hazards.
- 5. Channel 267A can be allotted to Hinton and meet all rules and requirements of the Commission. The instant proposal will not cause a change in the channel number or a deletion of any channel now appearing in the Commission's table of allotments 73.202.

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	
Hinton, Iowa		267A	

6. In accordance with 73.207 of the Commission's rules, "Minimum Distance Separations between Stations", all allotments on Channel 267A and the pertinent adjacent channels to 267A have been studied with the results listed in Figure 1 of this petition. The geographic coordinates used for the spacing

Study (N 42 - 36' - 24", W. 96 - 17' - 36") are that of a site located 2.2 kilometers south of the community of Hinton. A site restriction of 2.2 kilometers south will be required to allot channel 267A to Hinton. Many suitable transmitter sites are available to provide city grade coverage (3.16 mv/m or 70 dbu) to the entire community of Hinton. These sites would also provide full minimum spacing requirements to other allotments.

CONCLUSION

- 7. It has been shown that Hinton would benefit from the allotment of channel 267A. It has also been shown that channel 267A can be allotted to Hinton and meet all rules regarding spacing from other stations. Considering these two facts, Mountain West Broadcasting hereby requests that the Federal Communications Commission institute a Rule Making proceeding to amend the Table of Allotments to include channel 267A for Hinton, lowa, 73.202.
- 8. Should channel 267A be allotted to Hinton, I certify that I will file an application for a Construction Permit to operate an FM station for Hinton, Iowa.

CERTIFICATION

9. I certify that I have prepared or directly supervised the preparation of this entire Petition for Rule Making, and that the facts contained within are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, accurate and true.

Dated:

February 10, 1999

Respectfully submitted,

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MAPFM search of channel 267A6 (101.3 MHz), at N. 42 36 24, W. 96 17 36.

Search	ing Channel	267A6	(101.3	MH	z):						
CALL	CITY			ST	CHN	CL	S	DIST	SEPN	BRNG	CLEARANCE
ALC	Omaha			NE	264	С	U	174.7	95.0	173.8°	79.7
KGBIFM	Omaha			NE	264	С	L	172.8	95.0	177.2°	77.8
ALC	Newell			IA	265	A	A	100.2	31.0	90.4°	69.2
ALC	Luverne			MN	266	C1	U	133.5	133.0		0.5
KLQL	Luverne			MN	266	C1	L	133.5	133.0		0.5
ALC	Columbus			NE	266	C1	U	173.8	133.0	212.1°	40.8
KLIR	Columbus			NE	266	C1	L	173.8	133.0	212.1°	40.8
ALC	Blair			NE	268	C3	U	106.5	89.0	180.2°	17.5
KISP	Blair			NE	268	C3	L	107.7	89.0	176.3°	18.7
ALC	Storm Lake			IA	269	C1	V	92.3	75.0	88.1°	17.3
K269EF	Sioux City			IA	269	D	L	18.3	0.0	215.4°	18.3
KAYLFM	Storm Lake			TA	269	C1	\mathbf{L}	92.3	75.0	88.1°	17.3

FIGURE 1 HINTON, IOWA MOUNTAIN WEST BROADCASTING